

RESOLUTION NO. 02-22-07

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION ROAD USE TAX FUNDS AND FUTURE
ROAD MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION NEEDS REPORT

WHEREAS, the 81st General Assembly of the Iowa Legislature, in Section 85 of House File 868, required the Iowa Department of Transportation to conduct a study of current Road Use Tax Fund revenues, and projected roadway construction and maintenance needs with input from Iowa Cities, Counties and other interested groups; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa Department of Transportation, on the 29th day of December 2006, completed it's study of Iowa's current Road Use Tax Funds (RUTF) and Future Road Maintenance and Construction Needs Report for submission to the Iowa Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the report states that the State of Iowa is on the verge of a transportation crisis which results from flattening revenues, dramatically increasing construction costs, aging infrastructure, increasing usage, and deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the report further indicated that although the system is not yet broken, it is at the tipping point where the costs to recover will grow exponentially, if action is not taken now; and

WHEREAS, Cities are facing issues similar to the Iowa DOT and Counties, with the deteriorating payment conditions, deferred/reduced maintenance and the inability to meet the demand for new and/or expanded roadways; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director has reviewed said report and has recommended to City Council that it endorse and support the recommendations in the study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Knoxville City Council endorses and supports the recommendations of the Iowa Department of Transportation as contained in it's study of Iowa's Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF) and Future Road Maintenance and Construction Needs Report submitted to the Iowa Legislature.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Council this 19th day of February, 2007.


Harvey Sprafka; Mayor

ATTEST:


Donna L. Rank; City Clerk